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# SENATE BILL No. 207

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 12-8-15.

**Synopsis:** Prescription drug card program. Requires the secretary of family and social services to establish a prescription drug card program through which negotiated benefits related to the purchase of a prescription drug will be available to certain residents.

**Effective:** July 1, 2005.

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January 4, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services.

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Introduced

First Regular Session 114th General Assembly (2005)

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning human services.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 12-8-15 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS  
2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2005]:

4 **Chapter 15. Prescription Drug Card Program**

5 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "cardholder" means an**  
6 **individual who is issued a prescription drug card by the secretary**  
7 **under section 3 of this chapter.**

8 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "program" refers to the**  
9 **prescription drug card program established under section 3 of this**  
10 **chapter.**

11 **Sec. 3. The secretary shall establish a prescription drug card**  
12 **program through which:**

13 **(1) the secretary contracts with a pharmacy benefit manager**  
14 **or other person to negotiate benefits related to the purchase**  
15 **of prescription drugs, including negotiation of prescription**  
16 **drug prices with prescription drug manufacturers,**  
17 **wholesalers, and retailers to obtain for cardholders the lowest**

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1 available price for prescription drugs; and

2 (2) each resident of Indiana who:

3 (A) applies to the secretary for a prescription drug card;

4 and

5 (B) does not have access to payment for prescription drugs  
6 through a third party;

7 is issued a prescription drug card and is eligible for benefits  
8 available under the program.

9 Sec. 4. Costs related to the program may be paid through  
10 imposition by the secretary of a surcharge on prescription drug  
11 purchases made by cardholders.

12 Sec. 5. The secretary may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to  
13 implement this chapter.

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